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Elise James

Dear Northwestern Graduates:

We have to write these letters so early in the year to make magazine deadline that I can hardly believe that spring will one day be here. But, even in dreary January, there are so many things to be grateful for and happy that we can be a part of these projects.

Just recently, Don and I drove to Shreveport to witness the awarding of the first Shirley Pittman Smiley Nursing Scholarship to Tiffany Bono. Because of the generosity of this family, young students will continue their education. The selection process has begun for the first Eleanor Worsley Medical Scholarship to be awarded this fall. Please read the enclosed story about how you can help these endowments to grow.

One month and baseball season will begin—spring will officially be here. The Alumni Association supports this activity by sponsoring a billboard for the baseball field. We must be a part of both academics and athletics. A sound body leads to a sound mind—someone else gets credit for that profound statement.

Your generosity never ceases to amaze me. The appeal I made in the Winter Columns for end of year donations paid off. Thank you!

By the time you read this, the first ever Demonaire Reunion will be history and the people that participated will be happy that they did so. Maybe more will come next year.

Please do not forget other spring events, such as the Greater Purple Pitchfork Pigskin Party. The Chris Roper Memorial will be a part of this event this year, so you can take in a full weekend on the beautiful Northwestern campus.

The Joe Delaney Memorial Golf Tournament is again scheduled for the spring—get involved.

Graduation is scheduled for May 12, 1995. This year the Class of 1945 will be honored for 50 years of dedication to Northwestern. If you do not get our letter, please let us know, because this is the beginning of a special year for the Class of 1945.

This is a beautiful time to return to campus for a visit, so plan to do that this spring and when you do, please stop at the Alumni Center and have a cup of coffee or a coke.

See you soon!

Sincerely,

Elise James, Director  
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Dear Alumni,

The gold medal that Northwestern has received in international competition for a space science program that is broadcast by satellite to students throughout Louisiana reflects the university's leadership role in combining new technologies with innovative academic offerings to achieve a 21st century approach to higher education.

Northwestern was presented the prestigious award from the New York Festivals International Non-Broadcast Media Competition in Distance Learning for its "Science: Out of This World" program that is produced by NSU's Space Science Group and broadcast by the university's telecommunications network.

Space science programs at Northwestern are an outgrowth of the university's ongoing cooperative program with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. In that joint venture with NASA, NSU faculty and students are involved in analyzing data collected through NASA's space exploration programs.

In addition to broadcasting the award-winning space program, the university's telecommunications center provides other academic courses nationwide through satellite transmissions and cable television programming.

Northwestern faculty and staff have been involved in a concerted effort for the past several years to prepare the university to be at the cutting edge of new technology in higher education during the 21st century. Internationally-known management expert Peter Drucker has served as a consultant in the project, and a comprehensive document has been developed to serve as a blueprint to guide Northwestern through the remainder of the 1990's and into the next century.

The study addresses strategic planning and management, marketing of higher education, new technologies, international programs, serving non-traditional students, assessment, entrepreneurial philosophies in higher education, alternate futures for universities and other factors that will face higher education in the future. The gold medal in international competition for a unique academic program provided through modern technology demonstrates the progress that NSU has made in preparing for the future.

There are numerous other examples, including computerized classrooms with multi-media capabilities; participation in a statewide library computer network; high-tech writing, teaching and learning labs; compressed video that connects the NSU Nursing Program with students in classrooms and hospitals to provide live interaction between nursing faculty, students and medical personnel; cooperative projects with major industries in the development of new meat processing techniques in the agri-business program and a geographical information system that enhances studies in biology through computer imaging and collection of satellite data.

Northwestern is also developing pilot courses to be offered on Internet, an international computer network that provides video and imaging capabilities and interaction between faculty and students.

The National Center for Historic Preservation and Technology at NSU is creating state-of-the art preservation technology laboratories through grants from the Corps of Engineers.

So the university's extensive and continuing planning process to be at the forefront of new technology and innovative academic programs in the 21st century has already had a major positive impact on the institution and will position Northwestern at the vanguard of higher education for the future.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Alost, President  
Northwestern State University



# A Day in the Life of a Recruiter

*Editor's note: Teresa Bryant of the NSU News Bureau recently spent a day with Assistant Director of Admissions Jana Lucky as she traveled to the Shreveport area and met with students at three area high schools. David West of the News Bureau observed the operations of the Office of Admissions and Recruiting.*

The day begins at 7:45 a.m. when we meet at Roy Hall. Upon arrival, Jana Lucky greeted me with a happy 'hello.' Lucky who is the Assistant Director of Admissions was promptly ready to depart on an average day's journey recruiting for Northwestern.

Lucky, 24, is a 1992 graduate of Northwestern. She received her bachelor of arts degree in journalism with an emphasis in public relations and a minor in marketing. Lucky recently celebrated her one year anniversary with her husband, Kerry. She started pursuing her master's degree in student personnel services at Northwestern this spring.

Trying to be in the office by 7:30 every morning, Lucky is able to organize her Northwestern recruiting paraphernalia, the office and her thoughts. Today she had put together a box filled with pens, key chains, a Northwestern banner, Potpourris, applications for admissions and scholarships along with student information and dorm request cards.

"You never know what the day's events will entail," Lucky said, "so you have to be prepared. Recruiters are most high school students first glimpse of Northwestern. Therefore, it's important that we make a good first impression." With this in mind, we loaded the materials into the university issued vehicle and began our day's journey.

On this particular Wednesday, Lucky had scheduled a trip to Shreveport with one stop in Grand Cane on the return trip. Lucky spoke openly about all the facets of recruiting.

"The state is divided into territories with out-of-state recruiting being one territory," Lucky stated. "Each recruiter is responsible for their territory and trying to recruit as many high school students from their area."

Northwestern employs seven recruiters which means six people are responsible for recruiting in the state of Louisiana. According to Lucky, Northwestern employs more recruiters than most colleges or universities. Northwestern's recruiting team consist of Lucky, Roy De Vittario, Jana Waites, Lisa Simms, Rhonda Regouffre, Elizabeth Mowad and Reggie Gatewood along with two graduate assistants, Tiffany Freddie and Kristy Speir.

"It's a lot of work for just seven people," Lucky said. "It takes team work and commitment in order to get the job done well. And everyone on our staff contributes 110 percent." This fact must help account for Northwestern's steady climb in enrollment.

Lucky had scheduled two high school visits before lunch. We arrived at Southwood High School precisely at 9:15 a.m. Lucky set up her table and prepared for her hour long presentation that was to begin at 9:30 a.m. As the

**7:30 a.m.**  
Trip preparation...

bell rang, high school students from all walks of life began filing into the room. With peaked interest, each student took their seat and waited anxiously for the presentation to begin.

Lucky touched on a variety of topics about Northwestern. She was poised and articulate, expressing to the students what university life is like from the academic programs to student organizations to how to receive financial aid. Lucky spoke to the students, not at them.

She answered their questions simply and gave them her phone number if they had any further problems. Because she had visited Southwood previously that semester, a lot of the students knew Lucky by name and many were joking around with her. Watching her interact with these high school students, one could tell that she cares a great deal about these kids and helping them get a good education. Lucky's earnest and warm-hearted personality made Northwestern's impression on these students a favorable one.

While Lucky was going through her presentation, three other recruiters are also on the road and three others are following up on past visits in the office.

At about 9:45 a.m. Recruiter Gatewood is sending information to a counselor at East Beauregard High on NSU's Joint Venture Program with NASA. He is also trying to set up an audition for a out-of-state student who is interested in being a member of the Spirit of Northwestern marching band. By 10:15 a.m., he is trying to contact the campus housing office to arrange a campus tour.

Recruiter Di Vittorio is able to conduct the tour, but the university vehicle he planned to use has a flat tire. He has to improvise but eventually finds a vehicle to use on the tour.

By 10:20 a.m., the day's mail has been delivered which will include requests for information and applications for admissions and scholarships. Once the mail is received, admissions applications are forwarded to the Registrar's Office, scholarship applications are sent to the Financial Aid office and any money from admissions applications is sent to the Cashier's Office. Recruiter Mowad is sitting at the front desk filling in for secretary Linda Walker, who is on vacation. Mowad answers incoming calls, helps sort the mail and assists anyone who comes into the office needing assistance.

Mowad is the recruiter for the Louisiana Scholars' College. She covers territory both inside Louisiana and out-of-state.

"I spend a lot of time going against larger universities. We do well against them because counselors and students are familiar with the Scholars' College," she said.

Mowad spent 65 days on the road between Sept. 6 and early December. That work appears to be paying off as applications to the Scholars' College have doubled this year.

By 10:30 a.m., Lucky was packed and ready to head to Huntington High School. At Huntington, she set up a booth in which the high school students were able to pass by and inquire about Northwestern during their lunch hour.

These tables allow the students to fill out cards about themselves. In return, Northwestern puts the student on their mailing list and sends them further information. This gives Lucky some idea of the prospective students that she can recruit in the future.

Lucky chats enthusiastically with the students who come and go. One senior asks how much does it cost of apply to Northwestern and if it's too late

**9:15 a.m.**

**Southwood High School  
Presentation...**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Packed and ready to head  
to Huntington High School...**

**1:30 p.m.**

**Arrive for presentation at  
Central High School...**

**3:30 p.m.**

**Office follow up...**

to apply for scholarships? Another student, a junior, asks what ACT requirements does Northwestern have? And even the freshman are crowding around to inquire what is a major? She pays attention to the details, handling each student's need individually. Lucky's attitude helps impress Northwestern's motto: "Where Students Come First" on these young men and women before they come to the campus.

"A lot of times, they (the students) just stop by and fill out the card in order to get a free key chain," Lucky stated. "But it also gives me a chance to talk with them, a chance that I might not get with some of them. And if I can spark one kid's interest in Northwestern, then I feel that I have accomplished something that day."

At 11:45 a.m., Lucky packs her things and grabs a quick bite to eat before she heads to Grand Cane. Lunch gave Lucky the opportunity to discuss recruiting in more detail.

"Once a recruiter is assigned a territory, they spend the majority of their time in their territory," Lucky said. "In the fall, the recruiters are on the road mostly. They set up contacts, do presentations, and help students prepare and turn in their applications for admissions. In the spring, they do campus tours and a lot of hostessing for the university."

According to Lucky, those recruiters who have southern territories are traveling for at least one, sometimes two, weeks at a time. "It's a job that takes up a lot of your time," Lucky stated. "Juggling your job, your marriage and any other outside activities can be difficult, but it's also worth it. I take great satisfaction in the job I do."

Lucky goes into detail about what it's like on the road. "A lot of times we interact with recruiters from the other universities when we do group programs at high schools," Lucky said. "This is where representatives from college or university speaks briefly to the entire student body and then the students are able to browse the table displays and talk to each university recruiter individually.

"These can be tough sometimes because when you're speaking to all the students in front of the other college

recruiters you can't always say exactly what you want," Lucky added. "You don't want to give away your best recruiting tactics to the enemy."

So, is there a lot of rivalry among the university recruiters? "Sometimes other recruiters get a little jealous especially when they hear semester after semester how much Northwestern's enrollment is increasing," Lucky stated. "But generally, there's camaraderie among all the college and university recruiters. We all get along really well because we realize that we're all doing the same job, it's just for different people."

By 12:35 p.m., Lucky is leaving Shreveport enroute to Grand Cane. She chats enthusiastically about the ins and outs of recruiting. "Recruiting means long days and traveling for weeks at a time," Lucky said. "But it also means helping students get into college and increasing the growth of Northwestern. At the end of each day there's a sense of accomplishment that you can't find in every job."

We arrived at Central High School in Grand Cane at approximately 1:30 p.m. Central is completely different from either of the two schools Lucky attended



This picture of Jana Lucky illustrates her contact with students during a typical school visit.

this morning. It's a smaller, private school with a graduating class of about 11. Lucky feels just as at home talking with these students as she did at the other two larger high schools. She is always on their level, anticipating their questions, responding in a way that they understand.

"Going to college can be a difficult and confusing time for most kids," Lucky said. "I try to explain things to them in a way that I would have wanted it explained to me when I was in high school. Each school has its own personality and you have to be prepared.

"Before I go to a school, I evaluate as many characteristics about the school as I can," Lucky added. "Is it a large school or small? Is it a private or public school? Where is it located? What type of organizations does it offer? Is it very sports oriented? and so on."

After presenting the same material in a completely different way being just as enthusiastic as this morning,

Lucky loads her car at 2:30 p.m. and begins her trip back to Northwestern where she will finish her work day.

The trip back is rather quiet. Lucky is organizing her thoughts on all the things she has to do back at the office today. She will have to alphabetize all the student information cards she collected and put them on the computer mailing list. She must go over and organize all the applications for admissions and scholarships and she must turn in the car that was issued to her this morning.

The office does extensive followups with each potential student, who will receive a dozen contacts by letter and at least three phone calls from the recruiting office. The Office of Admissions and Recruiting sends out more than 250,000 pieces of mail annually to students.

The recruiters are assisted by graduate assistant Freddie and 17 student workers who help stuff envelopes, answer phones, call potential students and perform other duties.

As assistant director, Lucky must also check with all the other recruiters and go over how their work is going. She plans staff meetings on Fridays. She and Chris Maggio, director of admissions and recruiting, have strategy meetings to plan ahead.

Maggio has been director of admissions and recruiting since August. He has had to learn his new job quickly. Maggio had experience as a recruiter while coaching NSU's women's track teams but nothing completely prepared him for an operation of this scale.

"I learn something new every day," said Maggio. "It's exciting being in a position to help people get information and tell them about what a great place Northwestern is."

On a really slow day she'll be out of the office by 4:30 p.m. but since there aren't very many slow days, Lucky usually leaves the office around 5 p.m. She heads home with some office files in tow and prepares dinner for her husband.

When asked what makes it all worthwhile? Lucky says "the greatest satisfaction that I get from my job is helping that student whose grades aren't quite good enough to get a scholarship or that student whose parents can't quite afford to send them to college receive the aid they need to continue their education."

"Knowing that I am able to help those kids in some way always brings me great joy and makes me love my job all the more," Lucky added. "Granted, I do work for Northwestern, but I work more for the students. My job is to make sure that each kid has the opportunity to further their education."

## Please Take Note...

One of the keys to improving Louisiana's economic future is to invest more funding in its higher education institutions, according to a panel of business and professional leaders appointed by Gov. Edwin Edwards.

The Higher Education Commission for the 21st Century recently issued a report entitled "Louisiana's Choice: Invest or Decline?" The report established the link between higher education and economic security and gave recommendations for increasing funding for the state's colleges and universities. Panel members included state Rep. Jimmy Long of Natchitoches. The report quoted NSU alumnus Melba L. Steeg, who explained how Northwestern had an impact on her life.

According to the report, for every dollar appropriated by the legislature for higher education creates \$1.40 in new dollars in Louisiana.

Despite that positive impact, funding for higher education is not keeping up with other states within the region. Currently, Louisiana ranks last among the 15 states that belong to the Southern Regional Education Board in providing tax money to operate its colleges and universities. By comparison, Mississippi has increased funding at a rate nearly three times that of Louisiana and the average regional increase was five times that of Louisiana.

Because of decreases in state funding, a larger burden has been placed on students and their parents. Nationally, students pay about 25 percent of what it costs to run our universities. Louisiana students pay nearly 40 percent.

The Commission recommended that funding for higher education be increased by \$280 million over five years to bring the state up to the regional average. That would bring the state contribution to higher education from \$570 million to \$625 million next year. A freeze in tuition was recommended if additional funding is provided.

Other recommendations include developing a formula for higher education which is constitutionally protected, and creating a separate fund for deferred maintenance. Currently, those deferred maintenance projects total at least \$150 million.

According to the report, colleges and universities also need to become more accountable to the state's taxpayers. The report recommended that accountability should be measured by an annual report card that measures the effectiveness of Louisiana's higher education institutions. Other recommendations included rewarding good teaching, service and research, providing incentives to reduce unnecessarily duplicative programs, supporting distance learning through telecommunications, promoting, rewarding and developing productive relationships with Louisiana businesses and guaranteeing students the right to transfer core credits from one institution to another.

NSU alumni are urged to contact their state legislators and urge them to support the Commission's recommendations.



## A Thank You Note...

**Editor's Note:** The following is a "Thank you" note written by Rose Lynn Misuraca Scott (B.S. 1966) of Chalmette, LA

**H**ow do you say thank you to a college? Do you write to the President, to the Board, to the Faculty, to the Students? Who do you tell how much you owe to the people of a place that made a difference in your life? How do I show my appreciation? When and if I hit the lottery I can show it with an endowment, but on a school teacher's salary it is a little difficult.

On January 23, 1966 I graduated from Northwestern with a brand new degree, a lot of knowledge, confidence in myself, and in my chosen profession, thanks to NSC. Now exactly 29 years later on January 25, 1995 I will be inducted into the Louisiana High School Athletic Association/Louisiana High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame. This honor will be in recognition of my coaching Softball for 22 years and the honors my teams achieved over the years.

Northwestern (or the people of Northwestern) taught me how to teach physical education and coach high school athletics. So I have to say thank you, the only way I can think of to tell all the people is through the Alumni News. Most people that I owe thanks to may still be reading the Columns, so if you can please print this thank you I would appreciate it, if not at least I know I tried to say it.

Thanks to Dr. Robert Alost, he was my P.E. methods teacher, and supervisor of elementary P.E. along with being my mentor. Thanks to Dr. Guy Neason (P.E. Dept. head and later Pres. of NSC) he taught me to teach swimming and got me involved in the Red Cross of which I have now been volunteering for over 30 years. Thanks to Dr. Red Thomas, he taught me the fine art of coaching and how to play badminton competitively. Thanks to Ms. Melba B. O'Quinn, Ms. Addie Thornton, Dr. Violet Davion, Dr. Colleen Nelken, Dr. Joyce Hillard and all the other fine teachers who taught me to be a professional.

Thanks to all the students of NSC during my time there, especially the P.E. Majors. We had about 3,000 total enrollment at Northwestern in 1962 and I felt like all were my friends.

To all the faculty and students that have come through since I was there, you have all made me proud to say I'm an alumni of Northwestern State University.

I pray for all the past, present and future generations of the Northwestern family. May we all have a homecoming in Heaven one day. God Bless and protect you all and may his angels guide our journey home.

Thank you!



## Endowments...

**M**any Northwestern graduates, or family and friends of graduates, have established endowments in honor or in memory of their loved ones. This is indeed a wonderful way to recognize or memorialize someone dear to you. The endowments can be established to fund a scholarship for a worthy student to complete their education at Northwestern.

The reason for discussing these endowments is so that if you should recognize a person that was important to you while you were here, you may choose to add to their fund. There may be a teacher, doctor, businessman or friend that was especially important to you during your school days that you want to give money to recognize them.

The following endowments are active:

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All of these people meant a great deal to Northwestern and to many of you that attended the university.

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# Dr. Meade O'Boyle

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Dr. Meade O'Boyle earned a bachelor's degree in 1964 from Northwestern where she graduated Phi Kappa Phi. While she was a student at Saint Louis University School of Medicine, she was elected to the Jesuit Honor Society for Women.

Following her graduation from the School of Medicine in 1968, Dr. O'Boyle served a pediatric internship at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, New York and a pediatric residency at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C. She was a neonatal fellow at Children's Hospital in 1971-72. She and two other pediatricians initiated a child abuse program at Children's Hospital in 1971.

Dr. O'Boyle continued her professional work as a maternal-child health pediatrician at the Ohio Department of Health from 1973-75 and then as a child abuse pediatrician at Columbus Children's Hospital until 1977. She was honored in 1977 by the Ohio House of Representatives for her work in protecting abused children. While in Columbus, O'Boyle served on the Board of Directors of Birthright and opened her home to young women with troubled pregnancies.

Dr. O'Boyle returned to Louisiana in 1977 where she worked in general pediatrics for two years and later accepted a position as a neonatologist at St. Francis Medical Center in Monroe. Since 1981 she has maintained a private practice in Monroe.

In 1977, Dr. O'Boyle was one of the founders of Ruston Emergency Services in Ruston, Louisiana. Four years later, she founded Pregnancy Lifeline in Monroe which for several years operated directly from her office. She continues to offer her home to young pregnant women and to care for them until the births of their babies.

Dr. O'Boyle is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Ouachita Parish Medical Society and the National Federation of Catholic Physicians' Guilds. She and her husband, Edward, have four children.

In fitting recognition of her 25 years of service, especially to abused and disabled children and to pregnant women and their babies, she was awarded Saint Louis University's 1993 Alumni Merit Award.



# Larrey Mouton

The thing that Larrey Mouton recalls most about Northwestern was that if it hadn't been for Northwestern he would not have been able to finish his college education. "Northwestern furnished me with the opportunity to finish college," Mouton said. "I would not have done so otherwise. It was close enough to Alexandria (Mouton's hometown) that I could work the summers at home in order to save money for the relatively low tuition."

And if Northwestern had not been there for Mouton, Iberia Savings Bank would probably have a different president and chief executive officer right this moment. "I started college at LSU," Mouton stated. "But after two years I couldn't afford tuition."

Other than changing his career outlook, Mouton recalls living in D frame housing on the road that ran in front of the main gates. "There was a little grocery store, a lounge and a drive-in bar called Maggio's along the same road," Mouton said. "The accommodations were primitive to say the least. Our rooms were in wings off of the main building. In the center was a sort of lounge area with a television set.

"It had a big shower or bathroom that everybody shared," Mouton added. "They heated it with a big gas heater that burned you at the touch. I remember it quite well because one day I bent over to dry off my feet and stuck my back side to that heater. I nearly shot out of there like a rocket."

When Mouton began college, freshmen were required to take two years of ROTC. So when he transferred to Northwestern he stuck with it. "It was different than at LSU because it was a smaller corp," Mouton stated. "I made a lot of good friends there."

Mouton recalls that Northwestern was a lot smaller at that time. "The classes consisted of 15 to 20 students," Mouton said. "It was a rural, easy going atmosphere."

Aside from being able to complete his college degree, Northwestern also opened another door for Mouton. "I had a roommate from Brazil, and he wanted to play tennis one day," Mouton stated. "I didn't much care for tennis but we got our rackets and went down to the courts. By chance, I ran into Grace Stirling and got a date with her and we ended up getting married right after I graduated."

Upon graduating from Northwestern with an accounting degree, Mouton was commissioned into the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant. "During the two years that I was in the army, I was stationed at Ft. Knox and Ft. Hood," Mouton said. "I then decided that the army was not a career choice for me. So I was discharged and we moved to Baton Rouge where Grace was from."

Mouton held a variety of positions during the next 20 years of his life. He worked as a staff accountant for L.A. Champagne and Co. performing duties on audit staff in preparation of income tax returns. Then he and Grace moved to Panama City where he worked with Saltmarsh, Cleveland and Gunol. "I was senior staff member of this regional firm with various duties in audition and preparing of income tax returns," Mouton stated. "We worked with small to medium size businesses, banks, savings and loans, utilities companies and municipal clients."

Then in August of 1971, Mouton moved back to Baton Rouge to go to work for Capital Savings Association. He was comptroller and assistant secretary treasurer supervising all accounting and financial functions for five branches. Then in 1974, Mouton decided to go back to Panama City and go into partnership of his own business where he also worked for E.F. Hutton Financial Services as a representative for one year.

"Most of our clients were small businessmen, professional men and city governments," Mouton said. "Our services consisted of audited and

unaudited financial statements, income tax preparation and planning, bookkeeping services and establishing profit sharing plans."

In 1979, Mouton made his last move. He was hired as controller for Iberia Savings Bank in New Iberia. Slowly, Mouton worked his way up until 1989 when he became the president and chief executive officer. The bank has grown and now has \$485 million in assets.

"It's a lot of responsibility," Mouton stated. "I've been very lucky in my career. I was in the right place at the right time.

"The company has done very well," Mouton added. "We have 185 employees, 14 offices in six surrounding parishes and we're getting ready to go public which means we'll be selling stock."

Mouton had no idea that he would get this far. "Majoring in accounting was sort of an accident," Mouton said. "When I was in high school I played a lot of sports and didn't think much about a career. I took a bookkeeping course with a friend of mine.

"He said that he was going to LSU to major in accounting and wanted to know if I wanted to go with him to be his roommate," Mouton added.

Mouton attributes his success to two things. "Luck and perseverance are the key factors to my success," Mouton stated. "Obviously, I've been in the right place at the right time but business also requires hard work and a strong spirit to hang in there."

'28 Agnes Boswell Johnson is a former college professor. She is married and living in Lakeland, FL.

'32 Irene Lawton Sibley is the owner and manager of Sibley Plantation in Shreveport, LA.

'32 Nancy Byrd Greenwood is a retired teacher. She is living in Lake Charles, LA.

'35 Ardner and Enid Phillips Cheshire are living in West Monroe, LA. They have two sons and two grandchildren.

'36 Marjorie Escude Wright was president of the Women's Athletic Association and vice-president of Purple Jackets. She is now a part time secretary at Wright Farms Inc. in Evergreen, LA. She is married and has four children.

'37 Jewel Bruner Parkerson is married and living in Bossier City, LA. She has two children.

'37 Paul Piazza is the owner and president of Piazza Office Supply Inc. in Abbeville, LA. He is married and has four children.

'38 Virginia Coats Lester is retired and living in Mesa, AZ. She has one child.

'39 Evelyn Hodge Carmichael is a retired teacher. She is living in Monroe, LA.

'40 Lois Gellatly Salter was a member of Purple Jackets. She is now a retired home economics teacher. Her daughter Joanne Salter Frank ('65) is also an NSU graduate.

'41 Willard Hardberger is a retired social worker and teacher. He is married and living in Redding, CA. He has two children, one stepchild, one grandchild, and two great-grandchildren.

'42 Leonie Moncla Shannon is married and living in Loveland, CO. She has three children and two grandchildren.

'42 Mary McVey Dampier is retired. She is married to S. Burl Dampier ('51). They have three children and are living in Bossier City, LA.

'43 Wanda Earnest Hoagland is retired and living in Los Osos, CA. She has two children.

'43 Elaine Killen Allen is a retired choral music teacher. She is married and has two children. They are living in Fort Worth, TX.

'43 William Toxy Bourn is retired and living in Haynesville, LA. He has four children.

'43 Martra Murphy Eades is a retired secretary at Exxon. She is married and living in Kerrville, TX.

'47 E.P. Dobson, Jr. is a retired architect. He is married and living in Sun City West, AZ. He has four children.

'47 T.J. Lewis is retired and living in Baton Rouge, LA. He is married and has four children.

'49 Eva Finley Smith is a retired teacher. She has two children and is living in Jena, LA.

'50 Audrey Smith Maxwell is a retired case supervisor for the State of Louisiana. She has two children and is living in Jena, LA.

'50 Marilyn Finley Gaston is the records management officer at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service in Dallas, TX. She has two children.



'51 Wilson W. Ronda was a member of the NSU baseball team. He is now retired and living in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico. He is married and has two children and six grandchildren.

'51 Loita Martin Hathaway is a retired teacher. She is married and living in Queen City, TX. She has two children.

'54 Mary Schwab Rodney is retired and living in Gulfport, MS. She is married and has one child.

'54 Tommy Broussard is a retired teacher and coach in Vermilion Parish. He is married and living in Abbeville, LA. He has four children.

'54 Ana Jones DeBoef is a retired public health nurse from the Los Angeles County Department of Health. She is married and living in Mukilteo, WA. She has one daughter and three grandchildren.

'57 Henry Walton is retired from Arkansas Tech University where he was a professor and a swimming coach. He is married and living in Russellville, AR. He has four children.

'58 Anita Simmons Stedman is a partner and enrolled agent at Stedman Income Tax Service in Pleasant Hill, OR. She is married and has two children.

'58 Charles Hennigan was a member of the NSU football and track teams. He is now CEO at Hennigan Institute in Houston, TX. He is married and has seven children.

'59 Wade Parsons recently retired from Amoco Production Co. He is married and living in Bullard, TX. He has two children and two grandchildren.

'59 Charles "Joe" Shilling is an attorney in Houston, TX. He is married to Stella Harper Shilling ('59).

'59 Stella Harper Shilling is a porcelain artist at Stella's Painting Cellar in Houston, TX. She is married to Charles "Joe" Shilling ('59).

'60 Jerry Wise is the president of Wise and Associates in Shreveport, LA. He is married and has two children.

'60 Billie R. Cook is retired from the U.S. Army. He is married to Mary Ellen LaCaze Cook, a former NSU student. They have four sons and two grandchildren. They are living in Smithfield, VA.

'60 William Rambin is the director of the school of communication at Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe, LA. He is married and has four children and five grandchildren.

'61 Patricia Pittman Cantrell was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma. She is now the executive assistant to the CEO and Chairman of HydroChem Industrial Services, Inc. in Dallas, TX. She is married and has two children.

'62 Elizabeth Hennigan Barfield is a county extension agent of family and consumer science at Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Emory, TX. She has one daughter.

'62 Valerie Walker Tew is the principal at Hawk Primary School in Jonesboro, LA. She is married to Richard Allen Tew ('62). They have one child.

'62 Richard Allen Tew is a retired junior high principle. He is married to Valerie Walker Tew ('62). They have one child, and they are living in Jonesboro, LA.

'63 Judy Bell Blackledge is an elementary teacher in Bakersfield, CA. She is married and has one child.

'64 Wayne Summers was the editor of the Current Sauce at NSU. He is now the superintendent of Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center in Covington, LA. He is married and has two children.

'64 Joyce Daw Carter is a counselor for the Del Valle Independent School District in Del Valle, TX. She is married and has one daughter.

'64 Marilyn Lowrey Fleming is an eligibility determinations examiner at Bossier Parish Office of Family Support in Bossier, LA. She has one child.

'65 John "Jack" Fitzgerald, Jr. is a senior electrical engineer at Loop, Inc. in New Orleans, LA. He is married and has one son.

'65 Cynthia Fitzgerald Fitch is an elementary school teacher in Metairie, LA. She has one child.

'65 Ragan Gantt is the owner of Ragan Gantt and Associates, Certified Public Accountants in Miami, FL. He is married and has two children.

'66 Larry Clinton is in sales at Group Insurance in Ruston, LA. He is married to Sandra Litton Clinton ('66). They have two children.

'66 Robert L. Mourad is a business instructor at Claiborne Technical Institute in Homer, LA. He is married and has two children.

'66 Carolyn Thomas Sheridan was homecoming queen and a member of the state fair court. She is now a manager at South Central Bell, Bell South Corporation in Birmingham, AL.

'66 Judith McLain Vercher is a marriage and family therapist at the Center for Personal Growth in Montgomery, AL. She has four children.

'66 Johnnie Butler is in marketing at Daimler-Benz in Tampa, FL. He is married and has three children.

'66 Mary Rivers is a prekindergarten teacher for the Hemphill Independent School District in Hemphill, TX.

'67 Ardis Lewis is an eligibility determination supervisor at the Office of Family Support in Mansfield, LA. He is married and has two children.

'67 Meade H. Phelps was a member of the tennis team. He is now an emergency department physician at East Jefferson General Hospital in Metairie, LA. He is married and has two daughters.

'67 Charmian Reichenbacht Easter is an instructor, teacher, and program director at Lady Pitts School in Milwaukee, WI.

'67 Roscoe "Ric" Trout Jr. is the executive director and CEO of Providence Health Alliance in Waco, TX. He is married and has two children.

'69 Glenn Barnette is an assistant professor at Green Mountain College in Poultney, VT. He is married to Sally Malagarie Barnette ('70). They have four children.

'69 John Ramin is the principal at Pelican All Saints High School in Pelican, LA. He is married to Martha Patterson Ramin ('76). They have three children and one granddaughter.

'69 Josephine "Jo" Kelly Edwards is an interior designer at J. Edwards Interiors in Raleigh, NC. She is married and has three children.

'70 Michael Crooks is the factory manager at Goldwin Golf in Carlsbad, CA. He is married to Patricia Stilley Crooks ('70). They have two children.

'71 Dorothy Fair Finton is an instructor of employability skills and developmental studies at Mansfield Technical Institute in Mansfield, LA. She is married and has two children.

'71 Robert "Bob" Gates is the assistant principal at Crowley Middle School in Crowley, LA. He is married and has three children.

'71 Michael Fontenot was an NSU cheerleader. He is now self-employed and living in Wellesley Hills, MA. He has two children.

'71 Phyllis Lee Armstrong is a second grade teacher. She is married and living in Jennings, LA.

'71 Edwin Crump is married and living in Henderson, TX. He has two children.

'72 Cheryl Reese Wilson is the assistant administrator at Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood, TX. She has two children.

'72 Robert Scott is the division manager of the Little Rock Division of the National Federation of Independent Business in Starkville, MS. He is married to Waynetta Holley Scott ('72). They have three sons.

'72 Charles Boudreau is a physical fitness consultant at Hamilton Terrace Adult Learning Center in Shreveport, LA. He is married and has two children.

'72 Bonnie Blu Williams-Dugger is the assistant professor of music education at Mississippi College in Clinton, MS. She is married.

'73 Richard David Yates, Sr. is the owner of B & B in Bossier City, LA. He is married and has two children.

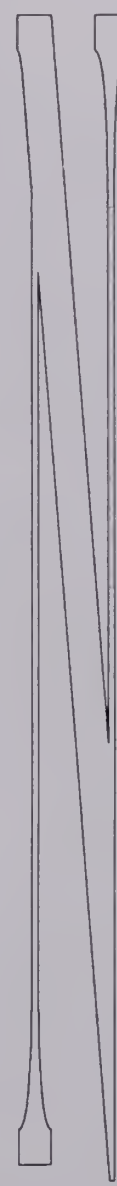
'73 Joyce Armstrong Bailey is the owner of J.B. and Associates in Richmond, VA. She is married and has two children.

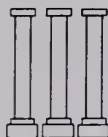
'73 Anthony "Tony" Carter is the vice president of sales at Health Procurement Services, Inc. in Baton Rouge, LA. He has two children.

'73 Julia Bossier Simmons was a member of Phi Mu. She is now married and living in Martinsville, NJ. She has two sons.

'74 Carol Taylor Wines is an education program manager at the Louisiana State Department of Education in Baton Rouge, LA. She is married.

'75 Lawson "Wood" Wilder is the executive vice-president of Industrial Packaging Corporation in Homer, LA. He is married and has five children.





# Julio Toro

To sit and talk with Julio Toro, one wouldn't believe that the 'man of many words' was once a shy high school student afraid to give a presentation in front of his class.

"When I was a senior if you would have come to me and said 'Julio one day you will be the principle of a 5-A high school,' I would have said 'you're out of your mind,'" Toro said. "I had a difficult time speaking in front of people when I was in high school, so there was no way I thought I would ever be a principal."

Toro was an honor graduate of Leesville High School in 1974. He received his bachelor of arts degree in social studies, English and Spanish from Northwestern in 1978 and a masters degree in secondary education in 1984 also from Northwestern.

According to Toro, Northwestern has changed a lot since he went to school there. "The most visible change is the number of students," Toro stated. "Enrollment has increased quite dramatically since I attended Northwestern."

Toro can still recall some of his favorite teachers at Northwestern. "He's retired now, but Dr. Raymond Gilbert stands out in mind," Toro said. "Dr. James McCorkle was one of my favorite history teachers and Dr. (Robert) Alost was the dean of education at the time."

"He's still the same," Toro added. "I think he's done a real good job with the university."

One thing that stands out the most in Toro's mind about Northwestern was the football games, but not for the reason that most people would think. "I remember that as an undergraduate I worked and what I found to be unbelievable was the fact that I did not attend one football game during the four years that I was at Northwestern," Toro stated. "I remember having to leave school every Friday afternoon and go to Leesville because I had a weekend job at a local grocery store."

"Even though I was a full time student I never spent one weekend on campus," Toro added. "However now that I am principal of Natchitoches Central High School, I try to take my boys to as many Northwestern games as possible."

Toro also recalls having a campus job in addition to his weekend employment. "I had a campus job for the last two years I attended Northwestern," Toro said. "I was a security monitor for Caddo dorm and I usually averaged 18 to 21 hours a semester. It was hard juggling school with two jobs, but it was well worth it."

Hard work and perseverance come natural to Toro. "As a young child, I recall my father instilling in me and my siblings a real strong work ethic," Toro stated. "I remember him telling us the story about the painter. He would say, 'Julio imagine that you are a painter and when you finish the painting you have to sign your name at the bottom.'"

"Any job you do, regardless of how large or small, you want to be like that artist and be proud to put your name on it," Toro added.

Upon graduation from Northwestern, Toro worked from January of 1979 to May of 1979 at Leesville Junior High School. He taught 7th grade reading and spelling. "I enjoyed teaching junior high, but the silliness that 7th grade students sometimes express is difficult to understand at times," Toro said. "I could be teaching a class and someone in the hall would cough and my entire class would roar with laughter."

"However, 7th graders were willing to do anything and everything for you," Toro added. "Everyday they would come into the classroom and ask, 'Mr. Toro do you have some papers for us to pass out?' or 'Mr. Toro can I clean the board?' or 'Can I straighten the room?' And between junior high and high school this quality in students is lost."

In August of 1979, Toro taught American history, civics and Spanish at Leesville High School. He served as the

social studies department head and on the Faculty Steering Committee.

Then in 1987, Toro joined the administration of Leesville High as assistant principal. He was responsible for discipline, curriculum and system supervisor of the OSIRIS School Administration which is a computer program dealing with student databases. Also Toro taught Spanish at Northwestern's Ft. Polk campus for two years.

"I wouldn't hesitate for a moment in saying that as far as my career is concerned teaching American history to 11th graders was the highlight of my career with the principalship at Natchitoches Central running a close second," Toro stated. "I feel that age group was probably one on the best groups to teach."

"Seniors have one year to go and they are ready to get out," Toro added. "And sophomores and freshmen have years to go. Juniors are very stable, they're settled and many of them are serious about school."

Toro was influenced by several of his aunts who taught in public schools to become a teacher. "Many of them would talk to me about teaching and the field of education in general," Toro said. "But like most people, very special teachers I met along the way helped influence my career choice. As a high school student, I had a principal by the name of Dr. Herschel Lynn Russell who did an outstanding job at Leesville High."

"He came and literally made a difference in the school curriculum as well as on the students and teachers," Toro added. "It impressed me that someone could have that much influence on a setting or situation." Of course it takes teachers, counselors, parents and school board personnel, but the principal sets the direction everyday.

In July of 1990, Toro was named principal of Natchitoches Central High School in Natchitoches. As principal, Toro has dedicated a great deal of time

and effort to improving discipline, curriculum, development of at-risk programs, school security, athletic offerings, and parental involvement in the school.

In November of 1992, Natchitoches Central was named one of the top five high schools in the state by the Louisiana State Department of Education. "Working with people that want to move forward brought me out of my shell," Toro stated. "I learned that if you're going to do good things for the students, you've got to come out of that shell. And working with good teachers and administrators early in my career were instrumental in bringing me out of that shell."

Those people saw the potential in Toro as someone who would

make a good administrator, someone who could 'set the direction' at a school. "When somebody places confidence in you and believes in you it's hard not to achieve your goals," Toro said. "As with those aforementioned people, my wife, Sherry, is very instrumental in my confidence level. She has been someone who has always been supportive of my decisions."

Toro accredits his success at Natchitoches Central to a lot of contributing factors. "Mediocrity is just something that is not acceptable to me. As far as I'm concerned, NCHS is the best 5-A school in the state," Toro stated, "and that's due to

the strong faculty, the phenomenal community support, cooperative students and involved parents."

Toro has two sons, Ryan 10 and Dereck 13, who he spends as much time with as his job will allow. "I bring the boys to all the sporting events and they come up here with me outside of regular work hours," Toro said. "Because I spend so much time here with them, education is very important to them. I've been in school most of my life and because of this they have been in school all of their lives."

"We must never stop learning," Toro added.



'76 David Melton is a field representative at Social Security Administration in Winchester, VA. He is married to Barbara Bodin Melton ('76). They have one child.

'76 Philip Timothy is the assistant sports editor of the Lafayette Daily Advertiser in Lafayette, LA. He is married and has two children.

'76 Peggy Delery is a clinical social worker at the New Orleans Adolescent Hospital in New Orleans, LA. She has two sons.

'76 Vikki Young Hale is a Spanish teacher at Galatas Elementary School and Colin Powell Elementary School in The Woodlands, TX. She is married and has two sons.

'77 Jeff Totten is a food marketing specialist of the Food Processing Center at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, NE. He is married.

'78 Clyde Edward Adkins, II is a pilot for Continental Airlines in Houston, TX. He is married.

'78 Barbara McShane Barnickel is a teacher at Pickering High School in Leesville, LA. She is married to Richard Barnickel ('85). They have one daughter.

'79 Karen Koelemay recently received a master of science in nurse anesthesia from Baylor college of Medicine in Houston, TX.

'79 Velt Edwards is the assistant principal and curriculum coordinator of Oak Hill High School in Elmer, LA. He is married to Karol Garrett Edwards ('84). They have two children.

'79 William "Jim" Easley, Jr. is a paging systems technician at Mobilecomm in Baton Rouge, LA.

'79 Lisa Zammit Davenport is married and living in Cumberland Gap, TN. She has two children.

'81 Sylvia Williams Scott is the director of student development and campus activities at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, AR.

'81 Patricia Ballard Skelton is married and living in Canton, GA. She has two children.

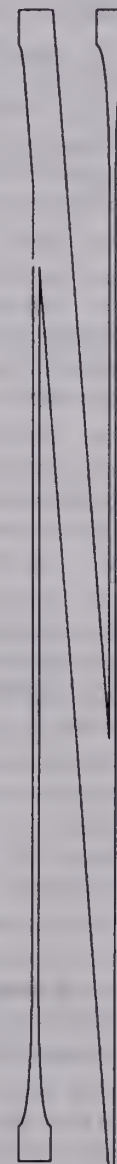
'82 Beverly Aaron Rivers is a chapter one facilitator at Zwolle Elementary in Zwolle, LA. She is currently a graduate student at NSU. She is married and has three children.

'82 Julie Thompson Harville is a business manager and a private investigator at Harville Investigations in Slagle, LA. She is married.

'82 Sherri Talley Allen, Miss NSU 1982, is a morning news anchor at KTBS-Channel 3 in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has one child.

'83 Albert Jack Welch III is the owner and an agent at Welch Insurance Agency in Pearl, MS. He is married and has one child.

'83 Jo Grovenburg Bourgeois is a recovery room RN. She is married and living in Kaplan, LA. They have three daughters.



'83 Mike Robinson is a coach and teacher in Fallon, NV. He is married and has two children.

'83 Cynthia Wigely is a physical education teacher and coach of the softball and volleyball teams at Crowley High School in Crowley, LA.

'83 James Henderson is a nursing facility administrator at Oakwood Village Nurse Care Center in Lafayette, LA. He is married to Nadra Smith Henderson ('89). They have two children.

'84 Susan Scoggins Gautreaux was a member of the NSU marching band. She is now the manager of data processing at Byrd Regional Hospital in Leesville, LA. She is married and has one child.

'84 Shelly Ragan Price was a member of Purple Jackets. She is now a medical technologist at VA Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has two children.

'84 Billy Dans is a teacher and boys' basketball coach at Marthaville Elementary and Junior High School in Marthaville, LA. He is married and has two daughters.

'85 Marshall Lenne is the director of human resources and safety manager at D.H. Compounding in Clinton, TN. He is married and has two children.

'85 Rhonda Martin McAnn is a RN rehabilitation consultant and medical case manager at Genex in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has two children.

'85 Anthony Richard Gomez, III is a staff RN for the U.S. Army, D.D. Eisenhower AMC in Ft. Gordon, GA. He is married and has three children.

'85 Velda Butter Long is the infection control coordinator at Pinecrest Developmental Center in Pineville, LA. She is married and has four children.

'85 Nancy Dallas Johnson is chief CT technologist and assistant director of radiology at Winn Parish Medical Center in Winnfield, LA. She is married.

'86 Paula Simmons Crawford is a teacher, athletic director, and girls' basketball coach at Monterey High School in Monterey, LA. She is married.

'86 Laura Waguespack is a science teacher for the Del Valle Independent School District in Del Valle, TX.

'87 Jeffrey Kilgo is a captain and intelligence analyst in the U.S. Army. He is stationed in Seoul, South Korea. He is married.

'87 Leslie Gregory is assistant director of the Programs for the Gifted and Talented at NSU in Natchitoches, LA.

'87 Charlie Dean Johnson is the coach of the women's track and field and cross country teams at NSU. He is married to Suzanne Person Johnson ('87). They have four daughters.

'88 Kimberly Hebert-Cooper is an English teacher in Atlanta, GA. She is married.

'88 John Davis Parker, III is a minister of music at First Baptist Church in Keller, TX. He is married and has three children.

'88 Suzanne McEntire Olson is a staff RN at Cross-Country Healthcare in Collierville, TN. She has two children and five grandchildren.

'89 Tony Alvis was a member of NSU marching band. He is now the band director at Crystal Middle School in Suisan City, CA.

'90 Meloney Scalisi Mitchell is a first grade teacher at Converse School in Converse, LA. She is married.

'90 Angela Spurgeon Peters is a dance instructor at Barbara Powlus Dance School in Mill Hall, PA. She is married.

'90 Cindy Wilson Ankrom was Miss NSU in 1989. She is now an assistant manager and fitness counselor at ATC Health and Fitness Club in Memphis, TN. She is married and has one son.

'90 Sabra Lands was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma. She is now the assistant to the CEO at EMCO in Baton Rouge, LA.

'91 Melissa Porteous is a media controller at Benson Management Company in Metairie, LA.

'91 Amy Gill is a news reporter for Peninsula Clarion in Kenai, AK.

'91 Michelle Weego LaRoche is a marketing manager at Rainey Engineering, Inc. in Houston, TX. She is married.

'91 Christen McLemore Warrick works for United Airlines in Sterling, VA. She is married.

'91 Sherrie Credeur Welch is an art teacher at Octopus Garden Preschool in Richardson, TX. She is married to Ralph Patrick Welch ('92).

'91 John M. Castille is an attorney in Baton Rouge, LA. He is married to Tricia Benny Castille ('91).

'91 Thomas Ross is an associate editor for Radio World International Newspaper in Falls Church, VA. He is also the co-editor with Generation Next newspaper in Washington, D.C.

'91 Kelley Graham was involved in the theater at NSU. She is now an actress, and she is living in Dallas, TX.

'91 Kate Christmas was a member of the NSU track team. She is now an English teacher and track coach at Gretna Junior High in Gretna, LA.

'92 Lisa Elkins is a flight attendant for Piedmont Airlines. She is living in Virginia Beach, VA.

'92 Glenn Moore is the head women's softball coach at William Carey College in Hattiesburg, MS.

'92 Lora McAdams Newman is a team manager at Mary Kay Cosmetics. She is married and living in Round Rock, TX. She has one child.

'92 Lisa Williams Deen is a business teacher at Leesville High School in Leesville, LA. She is married and has two children.

'92 Ralph "Patrick" Welch is manager and print supervisor at Minuteman Press/Jade Productions in Richardson, TX. He is married to Sherrie Credeur Welch ('91).

'92 John Surane is a district manager at Skil Bosch Power Tools in Owings Mills, MD. He is married to Tania Yanes Surane ('92).

'92 Nancy Beth Hamilton Daye is an English teacher at Benton High School in Benton, LA.

'93 Bart Stagg was a member of the NSU track team. He is now a MWD field engineer at Sperry-Sun Drilling Services in Broussard, LA. He is engaged to Melody Sprowl Busby ('82).

'93 Marion Johnson, Jr. is in intelligence in the U.S. Army. He is married and living in Shreveport, LA. He has one child.

'93 Jill Cantrell is in public relations and advertising at Garrison & Associates in Baton Rouge, LA.

'93 Rita DeBona Vandersypen is a guidance counselor for the Rapides Parish School Board. She is married and living in Alexandria, LA. She has two children.

'93 Lee Erickson is a graduate student at Oregon State University in Corvallis, OR. He is married to Denise Armour Erickson ('94).

'93 Kevin Tison is the director of instrumental music at First Baptist Church in Keller, TX. He is also working on his master's at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, TX.

'93 Dana Young is studying textile design at North Carolina University in Raleigh, N.C.

'93 Jack Columbus Tomlin, III is currently attending the University of Wyoming Graduate School. He is living in Laramie, WY.

'93 Linda McComick Dockens is an RN at Willis Knighton Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She is married.

'93 Becky Davis Saunders is the accounting office manager at Wal-Mart in Natchitoches, LA. She is married.

'93 Shonda Wise Milton is the coordinator of communications at Mississippi Blood Services in Jackson, MS. She is married to Thad "Bo" Milton ('93).

'93 Thad "Bo" Milton is a social studies teacher and football coach at Copiah Academy in Gallman, MS. He is married to Shonda Wise Milton ('93).

'93 Martha Diaz is working on a BA in sociology at Florida Southern College in Lakeland, FL.

'93 Annette Marler LaCour is a district manager at Cato Corporation in Austin, TX. She is married.

'93 Baxter "Bax" Kegans is a sales representative at J.M. Tull Metals in Baton Rouge, LA. He is married to Kimen Stewart Kegans ('93).

'93 Kimen Stewart Kegans is a financial analyst at Albemarle Corporation in Baton Rouge, LA. She is married to Baxter "Bax" Kegans ('93).

'93 Rhonda Tipton is a seventh grade teacher in Bossier Parish. She is engaged to be married in March of 1995. She is living in Ringgold, LA.

'93 Paul Sawyer is a doctoral student in technical writing at Illinois State University in Normal, IL.

'93 Jean Salzgeber Heldstab is in marketing at Volume Mart, and she is also branch manager at Northland Cable in Kansas City, MO. She is married and has three children.

'93 Nancy Roy is the assistant food service director for Morrisons Hospitality at the University of Houston in Houston, TX.

'93 Kevin Fayard is an agent at Farm Bureau in Baton Rouge, LA.

'93 Kimberly VanHook is currently a graduate student at Louisiana Tech in the area of counseling.

'93 Leslie Nix Heard is a teacher at Weaver Elementary in Natchitoches, LA. She is married.

'93 Tara Branigan Rodi is a psychological assessment technician. She is living in Warner Robins, GA. She is married and is expecting her first child in March of 1995.

'93 Craig Tappel is a CPA, account representative at Insurance Advisors, Inc. in Marrero, LA. He is married to Josie Venable Tappel ('94).

'94 William Klamfoth is the assistant program director at the Family Crisis Center in Natchitoches, LA.

'94 Lauren Landry is a marketing assistant at Gard Wayt & Associates Benefits Marketing Network in Baton Rouge, LA.

'94 Brent Baker is a graduate student in landscape architecture at Texas A&M University. He is living in Bryan, TX.

'94 Anna Sepulvado Fletcher is a secretary for Today's Temporary/Eastridge Temporary in Las Vegas, NV. She is married.

'94 James Glenn Maynor is a teacher and a baseball and football coach at Haughton High School in Haughton, LA. He is married.

'94 Anneka Reed is a videographer for KALB-Channel 5 in Alexandria, LA. She is engaged to be married.

'94 Josie Venable Tappel is a registered nurse at West Jefferson Medical Center in Marrero, LA. She is married to Craig Tappel ('93).

'94 Wesley Alost is a student at Loyola Law School in New Orleans, LA. He is married to Amy Pelt Alost ('94).



'94 Karen Borne is a registered nurse in neonatal intensive care at Alton Ochsner Medical Foundation in New Orleans, LA. She is engaged to be married.

'94 Stacey Billingsley is a graduate student in gifted and talented education at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA. She is engaged to be married.

## Deceased

'15 Bessie Ramsey, January 5, 1995, Mansfield, LA

'15 Mary Wilkins Hampton, January 27, 1994, Shreveport, LA

'20 Sallye Tanner Toniette, June 24, 1994, Sulphur, LA

'23 Ethel Strickland Seese, September 1, 1994, Baton Rouge, LA

'25 Helen J. Hawthorne Towne, November 28, 1994, LeCompte, LA

'26 Agnes May, January 1994, Lafayette, LA

'28 Menyon Burkhalter Pullig, June 3, 1994, Gibsland, LA

'29 Margaret Payne Smith, October 4, 1994, Sulphur, LA

'31 Eula Mae Pigott Mitcham, August 22, 1993

'32 Lois G. Duran, September 3, 1994, Natchitoches, LA

'34 Irene Page Alexander, December 11, 1993, Monroe, LA

'36 Guy Wimberly, Jr., May 7, 1994, Shreveport, LA

'38 Faye P. Alford, January 2, 1994, Sarepta, LA

'39 E. H. "Kidd" Farr, December 8, 1994, Winnfield, LA

'40 Bernice Bedingfield Roth, November 5, 1994, Shreveport, LA

'42 DeAlva Ross Elliott, August 11, 1993, Lake Charles, LA

'43 Gladys Wilkinson Harper, March 6, 1994, Orange, TX.

'56 Glen C. Stevens, September 22, 1994, Long Beach, CA

'61 Gerald E. Gordon, October 30, 1994

'74 Janet E. Livengood, July 5, 1994, Shreveport, LA.



**Alumni of Tri Sigma Sorority recently held a reunion at NSU to catch up with old friends and renew bonds between sisters in an organization that has been an important part of NSU for nearly seven decades.**

"Reuniting was exciting because all these age groups came together because of the common Sigma Sigma Sigma," said Shreveport Alumni chapter vice president JoAnn Joffrion.

The reunion started with an open house held at the Tri Sigma House on campus. A display was set up displaying a treasure chest of memories, scrap books and composites. The house was transformed into a baseball stadium in keeping with the group's rush skit that was a takeoff on the film's "A League of Their Own" and "Field of Dreams" and included their own versions of "Take Me Out to The Ballgame" and "Centerfield."

Afterward a Sigma mixer was held at the NSU Alumni Center which included serenading by the sorority and reminiscing.

The next day a brunch was held for alumni. The highlight of the brunch was a special award given to Lucille Hendricks, a charter member of Alpha Zeta Chapter. Hendricks received a key to the city from Natchitoches Mayor Joe Sampite, the father of three Tri-Sigas, for her involvement and dedication the chapter, NSU and the community. The Alpha Zeta Chapter was formed in 1928.



## Note of Interest...

*Cassette recording available of the 1994 "Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band"*

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# Chris Roper

## Memorial Golf Tournament

The Thirteenth Annual Chris Roper Memorial Golf Tournament is held in memory of Chris Roper, who was killed in a traffic accident over the Christmas Holidays in 1982. Chris Roper, a native of Camden, Arkansas, was a senior at NSU and the top golfer on the 1981 Demon squad. He was a member of the Trans-American All Conference Team, placing ninth in the league tournament.

Date: Saturday, April 29, 1995  
 Place: Robert W. Wilson Recreation Complex  
 Lunch: 12:00 Noon  
 Tee Time: 1:00 p.m.

Prizes and trophies will be awarded for First, Second and Third Place teams. The tournament is a five-man scramble.

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| Putting contest     | 3 prizes |
| Closest to the hole | 2 prizes |
| Long drive          | 1 prize  |



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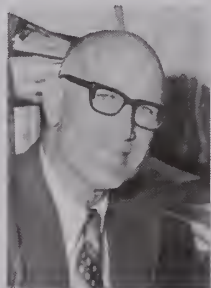
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## Ledet joins La. Sports Hall's 1995 induction class



Retired Northwestern track and field coach Walter Ledet, the Demons' first football All-American in 1938, is among seven state sports heroes elected for enshrinement in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Also elected were football standouts Fred Dean and Sammy White, horse racing figure John Franks, baseball coach Ron Maestri, basketball star James Silas and LSU two-sport sensation Bobby Lowther.

Ledet led Northwestern's track and field program to a decade of dominance in the Gulf States Conference and coached Louisiana Sports Hall of Famers Jackie Smith, Charlie Hennigan and Charlie Tolar in football and track and field.

Dean, a three-time All-American defensive tackle at Louisiana Tech, was an All-Pro standout in a 11-year NFL career with the San Diego Chargers and San Francisco 49ers. White, a sensational football and basketball star at Monroe's Richwood High, won All-America honors as a wingback at Grambling and starred as a receiver in an 11-year pro career with the Minnesota Vikings.

Franks, a Shreveport resident, ranks among the most successful owners in racing history, receiving an unprecedented four Eclipse Awards as the country's top owner over the past 11 years.

Silas, a Tallulah native, became a pro basketball standout and had his jersey retired after eight years with the NBA's San Antonio Spurs. Maestri led the University of New Orleans to two College World Series berths and won 518 games in 14 seasons as head coach.

Lowther is the only two-sport All-American in LSU history, winning honors in basketball and track and field in the late 1940s.

The seven will be formally inducted in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame on Saturday, June 24, in Natchitoches at a banquet capping two days of festivities. Also honored will be two recipients of the state's Distinguished Service

Award in Sports Journalism. The announcement of those recipients will be made next Sunday.

The 1994 induction class will swell Hall of Fame membership to 165. The seven new names were added by a vote of a 25-member committee of the Louisiana Sportswriters Association. The panel considered 114 nominees in 21 different categories for this year's induction class.

Ledet, an Abbeville native, became Northwestern's first All-American athlete as a guard on the football team in 1938. He was chosen in the second round of the NFL Draft by Philadelphia, but spurned their offer to become freshman coach at Northwestern and helped the 1939 Demons to an unbeaten season. From 1952-64, while also serving as an assistant football coach, he became the state's most successful track and field coach.

During his 13 years as track coach, he led the Demons to five straight Gulf States Conference titles from 1953-57 and missed another title by half a point. His teams also had three second-place finishes and two thirds in the old GSC comprised of state colleges. He coached Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame members Smith, Tolar and Hennigan in football and track, and Smith said his Pro Football Hall of Fame career would not have been possible without Ledet's influence.

Some of the greatest sports figures in American and even world sports history are included in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame, founded in 1958. Among the inductees are names like Mel Blount, Vida Blue, Terry Bradshaw, Lou Brock, Buck Buchanan, Chris Cagle, Billy Cannon, John David Crow, Willie Davenport, Willie Davis, Bill Dickey, Joe Ferguson, Grits Gresham, Ron Guidry, Elvin Hayes, Charlie Joiner, Bert Jones, Bo Lamar, Ernie Ladd, Charlie McClendon, Max McGee, Archie Manning, Pete Maravich, Rod Milburn, Willis Reed, Eddie Robinson, Jackie Smith, Y.A. Tittle, Doug Williams and Tank Younger.

The 22nd annual Hall of Fame Induction Weekend June 23-24 in Natchitoches will include a Friday night reception, a Saturday morning press conference, a scramble golf tournament, a tour of historic Natchitoches, a reception at the Hall of Fame in Prather Coliseum, and the induction banquet and ceremonies in the Student Union Ballroom at Northwestern State University.

The Hall of Fame has a permanent home at Northwestern, where beautiful oil portraits of the 158 current members and memorabilia from their careers are on display year-round. There is no admission charge.

Tickets for this year's Hall of Fame activities will go on sale in April, said Hall of Fame director Doug Ireland. Banquet tickets are \$20.



## Robyn Justin is still aiming for aces



**R**obyn Justin is still trying to make aces, but in different places and at a much slower pace.

Instead of serving up aces on the volleyball court, as she did for the Lady Demons at a record rate from 1984-86, she is shooting for aces and trying to earn her Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour card.

It's an exclusive card. In the past two years, only 93 have been issued by the LPGA through a demanding series of qualifying tournaments involving hundreds of players each year.

The odds are even longer for Justin, 30. Unlike nearly every other aspiring LPGA player, she didn't grow up on the golf course.

She didn't start playing until she was 19. Her roommate, Vern Guidroz, was working part-time at Northwestern Hills Golf Club, and soon, so was Justin.

"I started hanging out there, and they needed someone (to work)," she says. "I started hacking around. The first time I played nine holes, I shot a 48."

Then, as now, her strength was her strength. She could hit the ball a long way — today, an average of 230 yards per drive.

For the next couple of years, she played casually when not busy with her volleyball games and practices, her role as a manager (along with Guidroz) for the Lady Demon basketball team, and intramural and weekend softball games.

As a volleyball player, she led the nation in service aces for most of her senior season. She still holds the school record with 80 aces in 1986.

In her junior year at Northwestern, she began to get serious about golf. By the time she graduated in December 1988 with a physical education degree, Justin was on course to fulfill a teenage goal: "Someday," she wrote in her diary during her junior year of high school, "I will play professional golf or tennis."

Today, she makes her living from the game. Justin is an apprentice assistant teaching professional at Royal Golf Club in Slidell. She pulls duty in the pro shop and gives lessons and clinics.

She hasn't lost sight of her goal to join the LPGA Tour.

"I want to play on tour. I don't want to work for the rest of my life," she says, chuckling. "If that doesn't come to pass, I'd rather stick to teaching. I want to get out of the pro shop and work with people," she says.

She is one of nine women apprentice assistants or teaching professionals in the Gulf Coast LPGA section.

"I do ladies clinics each week, work with a lot of junior players, and yet 90 percent of my lessons are for men," she says. "I've got my mind on an instructional video, something a little more contemporary than what's out there today. I've already started putting it together."

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Foremost in her thoughts, however, is that elusive tour card.

At the LPGA pre-qualifier tournaments she has played, Justin raises some eyebrows with her brief golf resume.

"The other girls have all had college experience. Most of them have been playing since they were little. When they hear I played volleyball, not golf, in college, they can't believe it," she says. "They're impressed with that aspect, that I've developed so quickly. Unfortunately that doesn't count on the scorecard."

She's played in four LPGA pre-qualifiers, most recently last summer. She has seen what sets the winners apart from the also-rans.

"The girls I met who made it all have some common characteristics. They're in control of their games, and their emotions. They have a pattern: swing, and go on to the next shot. Swing, and go on to the next shot. Swing, and ... no matter where the ball ends up, keep your composure and plan your next shot.

"It takes a lot of dedication and time on the practice tee. There's no secret plan. You develop inner control and get lots of practice, and if you've got the ability, you'll be in position to reach your goals."

While taking aim at the tour card, Justin is willing to take a step-by-step path. She hopes to play some mini-tour events in Florida this year. She doesn't want to repeat the experience she had on the first tee of a 1994 pre-qualifier, when she "lost her breakfast" just before tee time.

"That set the tone," she said. "I sliced my first ball and never got going."

But she later finished in the top half of a 200-player field at another pre-qualifier in Palm Springs, Calif., and was within range of being one of

the 30 top finishers who advance to the LPGA's national qualifying tournament.

"I had fun playing in Palm Springs. I was relaxed and enjoying myself instead of stressing out," says Justin. "I didn't want to jump up and down when I hit a good shot, but I did run my mouth the whole time and you can't do that and play good golf.

"I played better because I relaxed. I could have played better with a little more focus," she says.

As she shoots for the upper echelon in women's golf, Justin carries thoughts of her alma mater with her.

"Choosing Northwestern was the greatest thing I could have ever done. I love Northwestern and Natchitoches," says Justin. "Part of me hates that I left because I had such great friends there."

She keeps in touch with her former roommate, Guidroz, and other friends back home, like Fred and Lou Clay and women's basketball coach James Smith.

Justin still reflects on classes taught by Dr. Sue Molstead and Dr. Allen "Buddy" Bonnette.

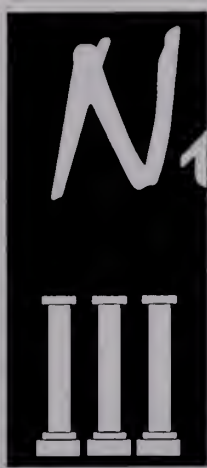
"I loved my P.E. classes and I had some wonderful teachers," she says. "Now that I'm teaching, I realize just how great my teachers were at Northwestern."

And she's still learning. Along with her quest to "beat this game," Justin is on the way to earning her black belt in karate.

That's for fun.

Her biggest kick would be earning an LPGA card.





# Northwestern

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# Alumni SUMMER COLUMNS



Present at the ceremony establishing the Clyde M. Bostick, Jr. professorship are (front from left): NSU Director of Development and Alumni Affairs Elise P. James, Mrs. Blanche Bostick, NSU President Dr. Robert Alost, Lyndol B. Pharis, (rear from left) former NSU Director of Fund Development Mike Sibley, Head of the Department of Social Science Dr. Kathleen Byrd, Mrs. Eleanor G. Tobin and Ted Tobin.

**T**he Northwestern State University Foundation has received a donation of \$60,000 to establish the Clyde M. Bostick, Jr. Professor of Social Studies. The professorship was established with funds from the Bostick estate and will be matched with \$40,000 in funding from the state of Louisiana. Bostick passed away in June 1994. Interest from these funds will be used to fund research by a designated faculty member including travel and material to enhance academic performance.

"Clyde Bostick had a great love for Northwestern. He wanted to leave a fitting memorial and it is appropriate this professorship is established in the Department of Social Sciences," said Northwestern President Dr. Robert A. Alost. "He was a gracious, giving person through all the years I knew him. Northwestern will use these funds wisely to help our faculty and students."

According to Dr. Kathleen Byrd, head of NSU's Department of Social Sciences, the professorship will have a major impact on the department.

"This professorship will contribute tremendously to faculty research in areas that Mr. Bostick found dear. It will make a major difference in our ability to do research," said Byrd. "It will also aid us in attracting and retaining faculty. Being named the Clyde M. Bostick, Jr. Professor of Social

Studies will be an honor to the faculty member who receives this title."

Bostick suffered wounds just before the Battle of the Bulge in France during World War II and was left a paraplegic for the rest of his life. His unit, the 104th Infantry Regiment, was awarded the French Croix de Guerre, and he received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He spent two years in army hospitals in England and the United States undergoing extensive surgery.

Bostick returned home in Sept. 1946 and entered Northwestern where he received his bachelor's and master's degree in education. He taught for five years at Natchitoches High School before doing further graduate study at UCLA. After two semesters at UCLA, he transferred to Louisiana State University where he received a master's degree in history. For seven years he worked as a counselor, five with the State Rehabilitation Program and two years at the Natchitoches Vocational Technical School. In 1971, he went to work at NSU's Watson Library where he was employed until his retirement in 1981.

He was a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Phi Alpha Theta, an honorary and professional society for historians.

The Bostick Professorship is the fifth endowed professorship at Northwestern. The Morrison Professorship of Business, two Coughlin-Saunders Professorships in Nursing and the Magale Professorship in the Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts were previously established.



NSU will retire the number of former Demon great and Pro Football Hall of Famer Jackie Smith during Homcoming activities on Saturday, Oct. 28

Smith, a 1963 graduate of NSU, was inducted in the Pro Football Hall of Fame last year. He ranks among the greatest tight ends in NFL history after a 15-year career with the St. Louis Cardinals and the Dallas Cowboys from 1963-1978. At the time he retired, he ranked as the all-time leading receiver among tight ends with 480 catches for 7,918 yards and 40 touchdowns. He played in five Pro Bowls and in Super Bowl XIII with the Cowboys.

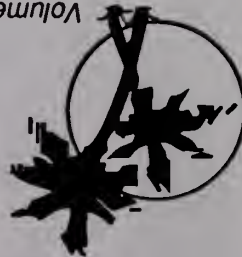
At Northwestern, Smith was a standout in football and track. He graduated with a degree in business. He has

served as honorary chairman of the Athletic Association Fund Drive, and was Grand Marshall for the 1994 Natchitoches Christmas Festival Parade.

This year's Homcoming Game will be at 2 p.m. against Southwest Texas in Turpin Stadium. NSU Athletic Director Tynes Hildebrand advises out-of-town alumni planning to attend the game to make hotel reservations early. Further details on Homcoming will be included in the Fall edition of the Alumni Columns.

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**Randall J. Webb, President**  
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Let me take this opportunity to thank each of you for the support you have shown to Brenda and me since I was chosen as president. Your letters, phone calls and words of encouragement have meant a great deal to both of us.

Northwestern has always been an institution dear to the hearts of our members. I am a Northwestern graduate as is my wife and daughter. My younger daughter Lauren is a current NSU student. 60 members of my family attended Northwestern.

I became president because I felt that NSU could be an even better successor to Dr. Robert Alost. Dr. Alost did a magnificent job, and I know I will be to follow him. Dr. Alost did a wonderful job of revitalizing the campus by attracting bright, capable students to our campus. I want to bring the kind of atmosphere that motivated, energetic students to our campus.

Alumni can play important roles in helping Northwestern. We appreciate it when you are able to assist us financially, but it goes beyond that. One of the best ways you can help Northwestern is by telling us about prospective students and encouraging them to attend Northwestern.

I'm excited about the fall semester. The fall is always a special time to all of us in higher education because it marks the start of a new academic year when first-time freshmen arrive to start a new phase in their lives and upper-classmen return to continue working toward their degrees. During my tenure as president, I plan to remain focused on the needs of our students. At Northwestern, we want to do all that we can to help our students earn a college degree and carry with them the lessons that they can use after they leave us.

A major part of my job will be traveling throughout the region to meet with as many of you as possible. I look forward to getting acquainted with each of you and sharing experiences about our alma mater.

If I can be of assistance, feel free to contact me at (318) 357-6441 or e-mail me at [webb@alpha.nsula.edu](mailto:webb@alpha.nsula.edu). Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.



